STATE ITEMS

Pitcairn .- Adam Grablum, of Wilmerding, was killed when his automoblle went over a fifty-foot embankment on the Trafford City road near

York .- Milton Montgomery, a runaway York county boy, who was infured in a fall from a freight train at Wilson, N. C., died at that place.

Allentown,-Postmaster Joseph P. Fry, received a letter from a man signing himself "J. B. Murray," who says housewives, par excellence, he has heard much. He invokes the assistance of the postmaster. Describing the kind of a wife he wants, he says he draws the line at "fat ones." Murray says he is 50 years old and that his home is in Brooklyn.

Harrisburg .- Governor Pinchot has named five delegates to represent Pennsylvania at the national Illiteracy conference in Washington, D. C., January 11 to 14, 1924. The delegation will comprise Charles Davis, superintendent of schools, Steelton; C. E. Zorger, Harrisburg; E. M. Balsbaugh, Lebanon; J. M. Berkey, Pittsburgh, and M. S. Bentz, county school superintendent, Ebensburg.

Wilkes-Barre,-The Wilkes-Barre Institute, a girls' school, which for years has been located on South Franklin street, has taken title to six and depreciated the value of the land. acres of vacant land on Wyoming avenue, on the west side of the river. A new building is planned with accommodations for 250 pupils. About 155 girls are enrolled in the school this

Pottsville,-William Reilly, of Mindry enforcement officer of this district, declared his intention of resigning, the duties not being compatible with his work as an officer of the Woodmen of the World. Prohibitionists of the county were preparing to lodge a protest against Re'lly's appointment, alleging he has wet proclivities, but Reilly denies this had anything to do ough councilman and director of one of the banks at Minersville.

Bethlehem .- A big celebration was held at the home of Charles Eastman. \$1000 ball for a hearing on a of Bethlehem, it being his 50th birthday, and the birthdays of his son, William, and grandson, William, Jr., and the wedding anniversary of his farm and did not watch it, seventeen daughter, Mrs. Arthur A. Mattern.

Harrisburg .- The state treasury begins the month of November with a Treasurer Snyder said. Of this balance of \$6,693,702, leads all others. Other balances were: \$675,021, sinking fund: \$1,802,497, road bond fund: \$262.527, gasoline fund: \$822,649, insurance tax fund; \$282,791, dog tax fund, and \$937, normal school fund.

Pottsville.-A Reading passenger train for Philadelphia killed a buck deer this side of Auburn. It had four prongs and weighed 150 pounds. As the deer was killed cleanly an application was made to the state game commissioner to allow the meat to be used at state institutions in this sec-

Allentown.-In an effort backed by the chamber of commerce to halt the deluge of so-called bankruptcy sales, city council passed on first reading an ordinance fixing \$200 a month as the license feet for temporary merchants. Local business men have filed many complaints against this form of competition. Failure to pay the license will subject the offender to a jail sentence if the pending ordinance

Mount Carmel .- From an injury received while working as a Red Cross nucse in a base hosp tal in France in the world war, Miss Hannah C. Sullivan diel 're e. Greenrock .- Mrs. Catherine McKee,

aged 68 years, of this place, ar lumate of the Allegheny county home at Woodville, leaped to her death from a second-floor window.

Pittsburgh.--William Cavell pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter before Judge Rowand after he told the court that his common-law wife met death while they were struggling for possession of a pistol. Her last words before the gun went off, he said, were: "Other women kill their husbands and get off, and I'm going to kill you and get off."

Pittsburgh.—The police are searching for a negro who attempted to assault Mrs. Julia Harvey, wife of Policeman John Harvey, of Ingram. Mrs. Harvey is in a serious condition. Her face was bruised, both eyes discolored, her body covered with bruises and she suffered internal injuries. After beating the woman, the negro threw her from a bridge, a drop of twenty

York .- Nathan Goodman, aged 79, was found dead in bed at his home by

Richland,-Despondent because of long illness and the recent loss of his wife, Rollert D. Shultz ended his life with a shotgun.

Altoona.-Exploding a shotgun shell with a stone, John Mortner, 14, and Carl Zaares, 7, were wounded 'n the face, head and bands when the shot was scattered in all directions.

Mountville,-Virginia Showers, aged 9 months, fell against a hot stove at | 75 years old, and blind for years, died her home near here, and is in a serious condition.

Bethlehem.-Frank Mahl, aged 48, a street cleaner, was killed when a gust of wind blew open his coat and an end of it caught in the fender of a passing automobile, which spun him around. Striking his head on the hard pavement as he fell, his skull was fractured.

Harrisburg .- Money due school d'stricts for payment of state aid totals \$10,018,781, of which \$9,580,138 was due August 1, and the balance February 1, Auditor General Lewis said. The amount due August 1 was \$358,-788 in excess of the August, 1922 allotments and an increase of \$489,030 from the February settlement, he showed. Of the amount unpaid on the February settlement \$429,000 is due Philadelphia.

Hazleton.-Coming to the hard coal fields to make a personal 'nvestigation of mining conditions, Miss Mary Wells, of New York, acting on behalf he wants to acquire a Pennsylvania of Mayor Hylan, went through the German wife, of whose ecapabilities as underground operations of the A. S. Van Wickle estate at Coleraine. She announced that she was seeking information to be used in addresses in New York regarding the anthracite situation. Miss Wells was refused permission to enter a number of mines at which she applied before going to Coleraine.

Tyrone.-Falling against the flywheel in the power plant of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper company, Charles I. Trimble, 53, was hurled to the concrete floor and his skull fractured.

Reading .- James A. Yeager, of Tilden township, brought su't for \$2500 damages against William Neiman, ad-Joining farmer, claiming that the defendant neglected to destroy weeds on his farm, with the result that the weeds spread on the plaintiff's farm

Wilkes - Barre. - Despondency, brought on by ill-health, is believed to have been responsible for Pierce Kinney, 72, ending his life in his home at West Nanticoke. The aged man took his life by placing the muzzle of a shotgun beneath his chin and then ersville, who was recently appointed a pulling the trigger. The full charge of shot entered his head and blew the greater part of his head off.

Harrisburg .- Governor Pinchot announced appointments of Edward Stotz, Pittsburgh, as a member of the state board of examiners of architects; Joseph M. Pugh, Philadelphia, as a member of the state board of examiners of public accountants, and C. with his resignation. Rellly is a bor- E. Crider, as justice of the peace for Hickory township, Forest county.

Berwick.-Joseph Cleaver, a Mifflin township farmer, was held under charge of starting a forest fire. Harvey Hartzel, a neighbor, alleged that Cleaver started a brush fire on his acres of timber land on the Hartzel farm being burned.

Harrisburg.-Contemplating a study balance of \$12,667,942 in all funds, of social work organizations dealing with Pennsylvania negroes, the deamount the general fund contains partment of welfare has sent a letter \$536,042. Receipts in October amount- to all such organizations asking their ed to \$6,203,028 and disbursements to opinions of its merits and seeking \$7,919,557. The motor fund, with a their co-operation, Secretary Potter announced. The letter was sent to eighty-eight institutions and agencies doing social work among the negro citizens. Should the proposed survey be instituted, a conference will be held to outline the work further, Dr. Potter sald. In discussing the survey, she said, the "department of welfare is keenly alive to the problems created by the influx of migrants from the south into various regions of Pennsylvania, and feels that an intelligent program for meeting concrete situations can only be evolved through a survey and conference such as it pro-

> Pittsburgh.-The Pennsylvania Synod of the Presbyterian church will meet in Wayne, Pa., next year, it was decided at the closing meeting of the annual session. Twelve boards and agencies were reorganized by the synod into four, as an economical move. Executive members named were Rev. C. N. Roulston, Vandergrift; Frank Bornettan, North Philadelphia; Rev J. D. Burrell, Williamsport; Frank Himrod, Erie; Rev. Dr. M. J. Hyndman, Philadelphia, and Washington Brandon, Washington, Pa.

Altoona.-As a result of building activities this year, housing facilities have been provided for 300 additional families.

Shenandoah.-Thomas Tanner, signalman and watchman at Wiggan's Station, a suburb, was found dead at his post when he falled to signal a

passenger train. Scranton.-Various maladies, tuberculosis in particular, are playing havoc with the animals in the city zoo. Connellsville.-When her clothing caught fire as she stood near a gas

stove, Ruth Sadler, aged 11, was seriously burned. Mount Carmel.-John Reichwine, a driver at the Pennsylvania colliery, was nearly killed when dragged a quarter of a mile by a runaway mule. Hazleton.-Perhaps the first avenue

in his honor at Drums Manor, a sub-Marletta.-Clayton D. Miller raised a sweet potato that weighed over five

in the United States named after

President Coolidge was that dedicated

pounds. Easton,-Arrangements are under way for the celebration of the centennial of Lafayette College. The first class was not graduated from the college unt'l 1832, but steps were taken toward founding the institution in 1824, consequently the centennial will

be celebrated next year. Kulpmont.-William H. Henninger, a miner, died from injuries suffered when his head struck a tree branch while riding a truck to work, Ephrata .- Mrs. Susan T. McHiler,

from injuries received in a fall several



Stengel Sliding Over Plate After Knocking Out a Home Run in the First Game With the Yankees-It Was the Winning Run.

Game-winning home runs are not the only things Charles (Casey) Stengel has given historians of this world's series to write about when tney are inscribing the championship for future generations.

He has given them a new experience, to wit:

It's an old phrase with Casey and the Glants, but it's new to the rest of the world, and its existence wasn't discovered until after Casey's first round-trip wallop, which gave the Giants victory in the opening game.

It seems that Casey, who is the life of the Giant party and who is forever telling stories without repeating a single yarn, first began talking of the "gravy train" back in the spring. Every time a ball game was won Casey

"Well, that brings the 'gravy train' one station nearer home." The "gravy train" means a world's series cut. The "gravy" end of it probably signifies the groceries that cut will buy, but, whatever it means, it caught on with the Giants and they've been using it ever since.

It now develops that Casey was muttering the expression to himself as he rounded the bases. It was the first thing he said when he was able to talk after his heart-breaking run in the first game, and it was the first thing he said as he stepped on home plate on his second circuit drive.

***** Ignorant on Inside Ball

This one sounds like an old moss-backed lie, but Bill Friel tells it for the truth:

One of those volunteer scouts approached Friel and began to tell him about a wonderful player he had seen in some country town near St. Louis, advising Bill to sign him for the Browns without delay.

Friel listened to all the good points of the phenom, and then asked:

"Does he know anything about inside baseball?" The booster, being candid and

honest, replied: "No, I don't guess he does; they haven't got an inclosed park where he plays, but you can. • teach him the difference." ********

"Sparky" Gets Chance



"Sparky" Adams of the Chicago Cubs, who is making good as a substitute at short for Charlie Hollocher. Fans who have watched "Sparky" work believe that he will develop into one of the best players in the National

Kansas City Proves Meal

Ticket for Other Teams All attendance records in the Ameri-

can association were shattered this season by the Kansas City Blues. According to Thomas J. Hickey, president of the league, the Missouri club played to a total of 425,000 cash customers during its season's home appearance. This eclipses its 1922 mark of 300,000

by 125,000. Kansas City has been the savior to several clubs this year. Milwaukee was paid more than any other team for its appearances in the Blue stronghold. The season's check handed Milwankee by the Kaysee management was \$17,000.

Although a powerful gate attraction at home, the Blues have not drawn large crowds on the road. For instance, at Toledo recently they played to 70 paid admissions. Their end of the receipts amounted to \$14.70.

"Bubbles" Hargrave Is

Praised by John McGraw "Bubbles" Hargrave, catcher for the Cincinnati Nationals, is halled by John McGraw, New York's manager, as one of the stendiest receivers and the surest hitter in a pinch he has seen this season. He also praised Hargrave's throwing ability. "Bubbles" usbaily the Reds play against them.

Argentine holds the world championship in polo.

Papyrus seems like a rather old name for a three-year-old.

Yale has over 300 aspirants for places in its various eight-cared shell crews. .

American tennis teams have won the Davis cup seven times and the Australians six.

The work of Lyle Richeson at

quarter was the feature of Yale's surprising early season play. In Pennsylvania 5 per cent of the

gross receipts of all boxing matches or exhibitions is paid to the state. Cincinnati Nationals have three

pitchers who won 20 games. They are: Luque, 27; Donohue, 21, and Rixey, 20.

Arthur C. "Dazzy" Vance, star pitcher of the Brooklyn National league baseball club, has signed a contract for another year.

Basket-ball, baseball, volley-ball, handball, tennis and all the typical American sports are now being played in all parts of Mexico.

It's the same old story from the gridiron, injuries and scholastic conditions, but what would a football season be without them?

Red Sox are after a training camp on the Pacific coast for next spring. If they go, it will be their first visit to California since 1912.

. . . That newly discovered drug called "kaapi" which releases an individual's savage traits is likely to have a big demand from football coaches.

Kid Gleason returned Frank Conkey and Everett Purdy to Lincoln, after being convinced that they would not make good in the American league.

Snively of Princeton



Coach Bob Roper and the Princeton football squad out early for practice this fall and under the leadership of has the Giants tied to the bags when Captain Snively the team has been a big factor in Eastern games.

Keen Says Texas Is Hot

"Talk about heat," says Pitcher Vić Keen of the Chicago Nationals. "Those nine or ten weeks I was in the Texas league last summer with Wichita Falls it averaged better than a hundred.

"I pitched a game one afternoon when it was 120 out there on the field, and it went 16 innings. Between rounds I stuck my feet, shoes and all, in a bucket of water to keep the spikes from blistering my feet."

GEORGE SISLER MAY NEVER PLAY AGAIN

Will Quit If Winter's Rest Fails to Restore Sight.

Despite optimistic statements to the contrary which recently found their way into print the indications are George Sisler will never play ball

To be cut down right in the prime of youth, before he really had reached his top form, was a bitter stroke for Sisler. And not only Sisler, the St. Louis Browns, the American league, but the fans as well.

Sisler, through his remarkable playing, had become the game's idol. He was Ty Cobb's successor, probably destined to become a bigger favorite than Tyrus, owing to his winning personality, and he was considered more valuable than Babe Ruth.

The latest report on Sisler is as much of a mystery as last winter when he was unable to respond to the call for spring training.

With Lee Fohl ousted as manager of the St. Louis Browns recently, it has been taken for granted that Sisler will become the manager of the club in 1924 and occupy first base.

Perhaps the former, but the latter is not assured, although it has been eight months since he was stricken with influenza.

Sisler's present drawback is the sinus affection which interferes with the perfect sight of his right eye. It is a weak nerve which controls the focus of the optic, and although it appears to be improving, Sisler today is far from being totally recovered.

"Time alone will determine my future as a ball player," said Sisler the other day in discussing the case.

"Last spring I had hopes of being in uniform on June 1. Later I postponed this desire until August 1. Then I expected to be back in the game by September 1 at the latest. "I will not make any foolish step. Of course, I'm optimistic and I feel that the winter's rest will cure me entirely. If it doesn't, however, then I will not think about getting in the uniform again. If nothing else, a ball

player must have perfect vision." The most cheerful news about Sisler is found in golf games, as he played during the last four weeks. It takes a keen eye to pick that small ball out of the rough, and Sisler has done it

repeatedly with a mashie. Even if Sisler recovers sufficiently to resume play next year, it is doubtful if he will be able to show the form that caused him to be the most-talkedabout player in the game. Faulty eyesight is certain to destroy much of his confidence at the plate, and also handlcap his fielding.

Dodgers' New Hurler



Photograph of B. W. "Rube" Yarrison, leading pitcher of the Portland (Ore.) team in the Pacific Coast league, who has been sold to the Brooklyn Nationals for delivery in 1924.

Big Record for Errors Made by Larry Corcoran

Here is a record for booting them. In a game played May 17, 1884, Boston vs Chicago, Larry Corcoran, the regular hurler, was called on to play shortstop as the regular man was sick. Every hit was aimed at Larry, for he had twenty chances in the game, which was a nine-inning affair. Here is Corcoran's record-three putouts, seven assists, ten errors.

Big Herreshoff Plants

at Bristol Are Closed

The Herreshoff shops at Bristol are clesed for an indefinite period. Many of the most famous yachts, including those that defended America's cup, and many radical changes in yacht designing originated in the mind of the lite John and his brother, Nathaniel G. Herreshoff.



BEATS THE DEVIL

Two Irishmen had visited St. Paul's cathedral. One was from the country and had been taken to the famous building by his friend, who wished him to be duly impressed by its grandeur. As they came out the resident of the city said:

"Well, Mike, and phwat do you think of it? Isn't it grand?"

"Pat," said the one from the country, "It bates the divil !" "That," said his friend, "was the in-

The Next Train. "John," said the commuter's wife. "what train does Mr. Lawnmower take to town?"

"He takes the one after mine." "If he takes the train after yours, how do you know what train be takes?"

"Because that's the one I take."

Just the Thing. Aunt Lucy-We're arranging a benefit for a poor old lady who is deaf. dumb and blind. I wish you could do

something for her. Phillipa-I sure can. I can get her a steady job as a chaperon.

Contempt' of Court.

Defendant (in a loud voice)-Jr.stice! Justice! I demand justice. Judge-Silence! The defendant will please remember that he is in a court-



WHERE A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND.

She-Tell me about your early struggles He - There's not much to tell. The more I struggled the more the old man laid it'on.

Firms to Trust,

pretty good firm is Watch and And another is Attit Early and Layte; And still another is Do and Dairet But the best of all is Grin and Bairett.

"Your husband denies it," said the smokes between meals?"

"No," replied the patient's wife. "He eats between smokes." Guesswork. "Every time we have a guessing

game little Willie wins." "Heredity explains that, Little Wil-He's father is a doctor."-The Spur.

Would Be Expected. Caller-Is the editor in? Office Boy-No. "Well, throw this poem in the wastebasket."

Compromise. He-You kept me waiting for over an hour. She-Yes, but just think, I might

not have come at all. An Irish Bull.

An Irlshman, discussing doing things "before breakfast," said: "I never do anything before breakfast, and if I do I always have breakfast first."



A Difference. The haughty son of wealth requires Mint sauce as well as mutton; The humble tramp begs for a shirt To sew upon his button.

Breaking News to Father. Harold-And now I'll have to see your father and get his consent to our marriage.

Phillippa-Don't bother about that old dear. I'll tell him about it in time for him to raise money for the wedding expenses.

Maintaining Discipline.

Carrie-If you considered that cook just perfect why did you send her away? Helen-My husband was hoping

she'd stay .- New York Sun.

No Need of It. "Say, stranger," said a man traveling in Kansas, "why don't they put up a sign, 'Dangerous' down here at this ford? I drove through there just now

and came near getting drowned." "Wall, now, I guess everybody that goes across finds out it's dangerous, so we don't need no sign."

Wet Pages.

Subscriber-This book is quite damo. Librarian-Yes; the girls ere co much over it we simply can't keep it dry .- London Answers.